



I LIVE HERE I GIVE HERE ANNOUNCES RESIGNATION OF CEO

Courtney Manuel Celebrates Years of Leadership and Accomplishments

AUSTIN, TX May 22, 2023 – I Live Here I Give Here, the nonprofit organization dedicated to connecting individual donors and volunteers with local causes they care about, announced today that Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Courtney Manuel, will step down from her position effective June 30, 2023. After serving as a visionary leader for five successful years, Courtney will take a break from nonprofit leadership to devote more time to her family.

During her tenure, Courtney has made significant contributions to the growth and impact of I Live Here I Give Here. Her leadership and strategic direction has furthered the success of the organization's programs, most notably Amplify Austin Day.

I Live Here I Give Here achieved remarkable milestones under Courtney's leadership. During her time as CEO, she successfully:

- Led the organization towards raising \$118.9 million cumulatively since 2007.
- Built strong strategic partnerships that led to the creation of Growing Good and to the fiscal sponsorship of the City of Austin's Corporate Engagement Council.
- Led I Live Here I Give Here through the pandemic and experienced the two most successful fundraising years for the organization.
- Set an organizational DEIB strategy and grew BIPoC representation in I Live Here I Give Here programs, on the board of directors, and on staff.
- Developed and implemented a 10-year strategic plan with a refined vision and organizational mission.
- Refreshed the brand and messaging strategies.
- Elevated and grew core programs such as See Us Give and the Board Training Program.
- Reimagined operations for efficiency and better data collection, strengthening internal processes and systems that were leveraged to balance the budget and plan for I Live Here I Give Here's future.

"The CEO role at I Live Here I Give Here was a career shaping experience for me," Courtney said. "I am incredibly proud of the organization's accomplishments during my tenure, especially surpassing \$118 million raised for the Central Texas nonprofit community. Leading a nonprofit through a pandemic, especially one that hundreds of organizations rely on for funding year-after-year, is incredibly hard work. However, thanks to the generosity of thousands of community members and an amazing team of board members and staff members, it was extremely rewarding, and I am grateful to have been given the opportunity to do so. I am stepping down from this leadership role with the intent to stay involved, just in a

new capacity. I love this organization and foresee a bright future ahead for it and the next leader lucky enough to serve at the helm.”

The board of directors at I Live Here I Give Here is sincerely grateful for her exceptional leadership and the positive impact she has made on the organization and the community. The board has already commenced a [comprehensive search process to identify her successor](#), ensuring a seamless transition and the continued pursuit of the organization's mission.

Courtney will serve as a consultant to assist with this transitional period to maintain the organization's momentum and to continue its vital work.

"We are in a stronger place today due to Courtney's time as CEO, and we are grateful for her fearless leadership over the last five years" said I Live Here I Give Here Board Chair Jackie Sekiguchi. "Courtney's commitment to a smooth transition will ensure the continued success of this organization and the communities who rely on our programs."

The board of directors, staff, and volunteers of I Live Here I Give Here remain committed to advancing the organization's mission, and they express their deepest gratitude to Courtney Manuel for her remarkable service.

ABOUT I LIVE HERE I GIVE HERE

I Live Here I Give Here amplifies giving in Central Texas through cultivating and creating deeper connections for givers and the issues givers care about. It connects individual donors and volunteers with local causes they support. . Our community-wide programs and year-round specialty programming for businesses, nonprofits, and individuals makes giving possible for everyone.

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